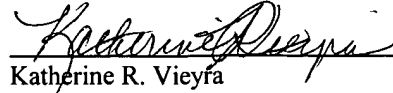


EXPRESS MAIL CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10

I hereby certify that this document is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date indicated below in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service mailing Label Number EV203145013US addressed: Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Date: November 26, 2003


Katherine R. Vieyra

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Markus Krumbeck, Michael Mangold and Andreas Mann
Serial No. : Confirmation No. :
Filed : herewith
Title : DISENGAGEABLE SKI BINDING
Group Art Unit. : Examiner :
Attorney Docket : MA0776US (#90776)

Mail Stop Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to substantive examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application, without prejudice, as follows:

Claims Amendments

1. (Currently Amended) A disengageable ski binding having a standing and/or carrying plate (5) ~~which is~~ provided as a standing surface for a ski boot and is arranged on a base part (2), ~~which is~~ mounted ~~on the ski and/or can be~~ securely firmly on the ski, ~~such that it can be rotated~~ said base part rotatable about a vertical axis of the base part, counter to an adjustable resistance of a first latching